GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:39
ANSWERED ON:20.02.2001
ISI LINKS WITH CRIMINALS
SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI;SUNDER LAL TIWARI

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item regarding ISI links with criminals in Delhi appearing in the `Rashtriya Sahara` dated December 22, 2000;

(b) if so, whether the Government have conducted any enquiry in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the action taken by the Government in this connection?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a)to(c): Yes, Sir. The interrogation of the 8 Pak terrorists arrested in connection with the case referred to in the news-item in question did not reveal that they had cultivated any local criminal for furtherance of their terrorist activities except that one of them was staying at the residence of a local resident with whom he had come in contact when both were earlier lodged in the Central Jail, Tihar.

(d): The steps taken by Delhi Police to prevent terrorist activities include intensification of beat patrolling; posting of armed pickets at strategic points; strengthening of intelligence network; close watch on and frequent raids at the suspected hide-outs of criminals and terrorists; checking of persons and baggages particularly in crowded market places and places of entertainment; checking of guest houses and religious places; formation of anti-terrorist cell in each police district.